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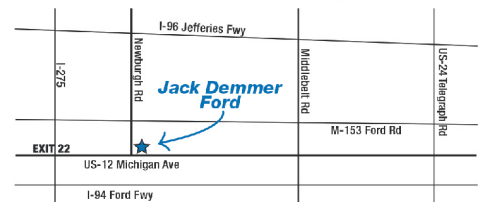
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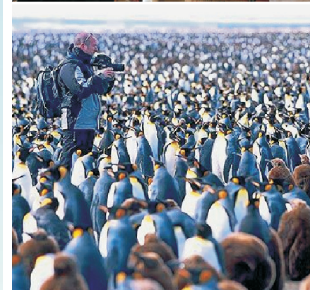
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Belleville National Strawberry Festival welcomes visitors to city

The 43rd Annual Belleville National Strawberry Festival would like to welcome you to a weekend of family fun. The Belleville National Strawberry Festival is one of Southeastern Michigan's premier summer events presented by Meijer.

As executive director, I would like to thank the City of Belleville, the police and fire departments, the Boy Scouts, our sponsors, board of directors and everyone who has worked so hard to make the festival a success.

The Belleville National Strawberry Festival has five venues; Main Street, Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, Belleville Central Business Community, Belleville Presbyterian Church and Trinity Episcopal Church.

Main Street features crafters, a carnival midway, vendors and a children's area. On Saturday, starting at 11 a.m. there is a parade and on Sunday there is a car show at Victory Park starting at 9 a.m. and continuing until 3 p.m.

There is a carnival on the grounds of Belleville High School sponsored by the Belleville Chamber of Commerce.

Belleville Central Business Community brings juried crafters to Main Street.

Belleville Presbyterian Church features tours of the church on Saturday and Sunday. It is one of the original seven Martha Mary Chapels built by Henry Ford and his wife to honor their mothers.

Trinity Episcopal Church features all things strawberry; pies, breads, jam and much more. They also feature their famous sloppy joe lunches Saturday and Sunday.

The festival offers free shuttle service with free parking at Belleville Presbyterian Church on Belleville Road. The trolley will stop at all five venues.

Come on out and enjoy a weekend of family fun for everyone.

Again, thank you to all who helped with the festival this year:



Joan Bodnar

Joan Bodnar
Belleville National Strawberry Festival
Executive Director



A warm welcome to the City of Belleville

Welcome to the Community of Belleville for the 2019 Strawberry Festival. The City of Belleville and the surrounding townships of Van Buren and Sumpter share the excitement we

hope you are feeling at the beginning of another great festival weekend.

The Belleville National Strawberry Festival Committee has attempted each year to make the festival bigger and better. As you can see by looking at this year's schedule of events they have certainly succeeded. There are many events scheduled for all ages every day of the long weekend.

The residents of our community welcome you to town. We would ask that you treat the private property of our residents the same way you would your own. We also ask that you have a great time at the "National Strawberry Festival".

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On the run

Chamber sponsors morning run

As the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce prepares for the second annual Lakeside Strawberry Run, Executive Director Paul Henning wants people to know that the event is open to anyone who wants to participate.

The run takes place beginning at 7 a.m. Saturday, June 15, during Strawberry Festival weekend.

Sponsored by Genisys Credit Union, the 5K run starts and ends at Horizon Park, and the route takes participants over the Denton Road bridge, across the lake and up into the neighborhoods of scenic Van Buren Township.

Last year, the event drew around 100 participants, and Henning hopes to double that number this year.

"We're really hoping that the involvement of Genisys Credit Union will help that along," Henning said.

Genisys is helping to promote the event using radio ads and other avenues to get the word out.

The cost to enter is \$35 for those 19 and older, and \$30 for those 18 and

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younger. For kids 10 and younger, there's a free "fun run" that begins 15 minutes before the start of the 5K. All children are invited to compete. The youngsters will be running down the block and back, and will receive a medal for their efforts.

Adults need not be a sprinter or even a jogger to come out and enjoy this event, Henning said. Walkers are also welcome to participate. Henning said it takes about an hour for walkers to complete the course.

All adult participants will also receive a medal.

Henning added that the run is a great way to justify eating all the delicious concoctions at the Strawberry Festival guilt-free. "The miles cancel out the calories," he said.

"We encourage runners and walkers both to come and participate in the run," Henning added.

For more information about the event or to become a sponsor, visit the chamber website at www.bellevilleareachamber.org or call (734) 697-7151.

Parade is pride of event

This year's Strawberry Festival Parade will take place on Saturday, June 15.

The parade will officially kick off at 11 a.m. As in recent years, the line up for the parade will once again be a first come, first serve line-up. Additionally, the parking for non-parade vehicles has changed this year. Any vehicle that is not in the parade will be directed to park in the lot directly west of Belleville High School. Only parade vehicles will be allowed to enter through Davis street to access the parade route. All other vehicles will be redirected, as there is no parking available behind St. Anthony's because of the carnival.

We look forward to another successful parade and I deeply appreciate everyone that helps bring this together year after year.



Parade Chairman Tina Brooks-Green



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Cinnamon's car show is festival tradition

There will certainly be something for everyone again year at the Strawberry Festival, including those who love cars.

More than 18 years ago, Steve Cinnamon started a car show on Father's Day in the parking lot of Cinnamon's Auto Supply. The event was so popular and attracted so many auto admirers that he joined with the Belleville Strawberry Festival and moved the show to Victory Park so visitors could simply walk to see the show-room-like vehicles.

His goal, said his daughter Allison Cinnamon-Robertson, was to celebrate dads and what they love in hopes of bringing families closer together and get children involved in what was probably their father's hobby.

"In 2006 he lost his dad, Lowell Cinnamon, my grandfather, to cancer," Cinnamon-Robertson explained. "Steve

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wanted to carry on his memory and honor his father's life. He had a caricature of Lowell drawn up and that became a part of our logo for the years to come," she said.

As the event has evolved, Cinnamon-Robertson has become more involved with the organizing of the event.

"The past few years I have been helping out with the show a lot more. I've always had a part in it since I was a kid, but now my dad does less and I do more. My goal for the show is the same as my dad's has always been and I hope to con-

tinue to honor the great fathers out there," she explained.

The show will begin at 9 a.m. this year on Sunday, June 16 at Victory Park and continue until 3 p.m.

There is a pre-registration event from 6-8 p.m. Friday, June 14 at Belleville Faith Assembly Church, 894 East Huron River Drive, in Belleville. The early registration is priced at \$10 and the event will include free hot dogs, chips and a drink for all who pre-register for the Sunday show.

There will be a dash plaque issued to the first 100 registrations. For more information, call (734) 260-0250.

Registration at the gate on Sunday is \$20. The show includes music by DJ Chett and the awarding of 30 trophies and door prizes. There is a playground, giveaways and t-shirts and there will also be carnival rides and crafters.



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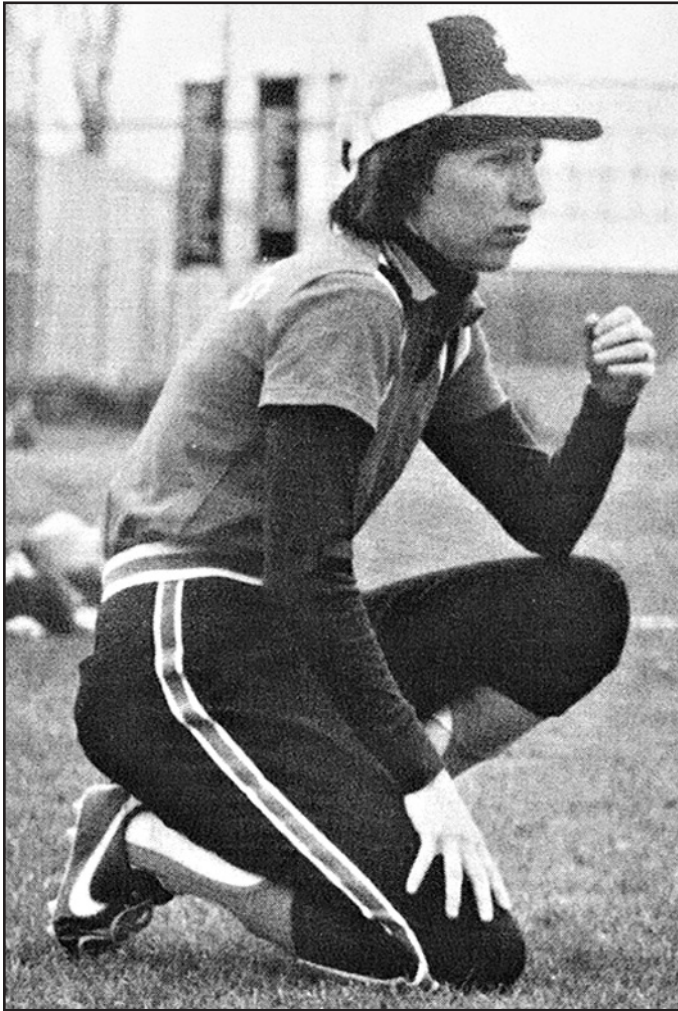


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Simply grand

Peggy Curtis chosen as Grand Marshal of festival



Peggy Curtis in her high school softball uniform.

When it was time to choose the Grand Marshal of the National Strawberry Festival this year, members of the festival committee were unanimous in their choice.

Who better than a woman who has already had a 'grand' impact on the community and local residents through her four decades of work with local students?

The Grand Marshal this year is Peggy Curtis, who brought back-to-back state championships to Belleville High School during her 39-year teaching and coaching career.

Curtis is a life-long resident of Belleville and graduated from Belleville High School in 1965. She now has grandchildren attending school in the district.

After college, she began her teaching career in the Van Buren Schools in 1969 and she retired in 2002. She taught at North Junior High School and at Belleville High School where she was a revered softball coach who brought the only back-to-back state championships to the school. She also coached gymnastics and Women's Cross Country at the high school.

During her career, Curtis coached 14 league championship softball teams, 17 district championship teams, three regional championship teams and the only two state championships in the history of Belleville High School, in 1983 and 1984.

The varsity softball field at the high school is named for her, an honor unanimously bestowed on her in 2016 by members of the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education. No other facility in the district is named for a former graduate or staff member. Curtis was a member of the teaching staff that began the softball program in the school district and she built the program to one of the most successful in the state.



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During her career, she accumulated more than 700 wins, numerous coaching honors including induction into the Michigan High School Athletic Association Coaches Hall of Fame as well as the league, district and regional championships.

Curtis is credited with helping 35 of her team players sign to play at the collegiate level, according to school officials.

School board members referred to Curtis as an "outstanding educator" and described her as "a role model for our children."

In 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2013, softball teams coached by Curtis were named to the Michigan Coaches Academic All State teams. She also

coached numerous individual players who received all-Academic, All-District, All-Region and All-State honors.

Curtis also coached the 1999 Gatorade Michigan Softball Player of the Year Robyn Bolden.

To this day, Curtis remains active with various groups in the community and continues to coach Little League softball.

Her dedication to the welfare and

education of the children of the area and her unprecedented and unmatched sports achievements made Peggy Curtis the unanimous choice for Grand Marshal of the Belleville National Strawberry Festival this year.

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Belleville National Strawberry Festival Grand Marshal Peggy Curtis

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Trinity Church volunteers offer hand-made festival treats

Trinity Episcopal Church has been a part of the Belleville National Strawberry Festival since 1977. To this day, the church volunteers have been serving freshly-made glazed strawberry pies and their famous homemade sloppy joes in a comfortable, family-friendly atmosphere. In addition to glazed fresh strawberry pies, the bakery features a variety of home-made treats such as strawberry bread and muffins, regular and no-sugar-added strawberry freezer jam, tangy strawberry tarts, and strawberry cheesecake.

The Trinity food tent draws a large crowd of regular visitors during lunch or dinner during the Strawberry Festival. The homemade sloppy joes have been a favorite of festival goers for 40 years. Also offered are the unique sloppy nachos which are a popular choice. Crunchy tortilla chips are smothered with meaty sloppy joe and nacho cheese sauce. For a spicy kick add a big spoonful of jalapeno peppers. The church food tent also serves regular nachos and 100 percent beef hot dogs with all the popular toppings.

Dessert is another special feature at the food tent where the famous Trinity strawberry shortcake is served. The light and tender shortcakes are covered with a heaping scoop of sweetened strawberries and topped with real whipped cream. Also tempting are the strawberry or hot fudge sundaes, a personal glazed pie, a strawberry tart, a slice of strawberry cheesecake or a bowl of fresh strawberries to dip in powdered sugar or hot fudge.

Festival goers say they wait all year for sweet, creamy Trinity strawberry smoothie. The smoothies are the perfect indulgence on a hot June afternoon. Since much of the Trinity food tent and bakery menu is available in gluten-free everybody can enjoy their festival treats.

Trinity volunteers spend several days lovingly preparing all of



their festival foods in the Trinity kitchen. The sloppy joes, cheesecakes, shortcakes, breads, muffins, jams, everything... all are made fresh from scratch. More than 1500 pounds of strawberries are hulled on site during the festival so that everything is as fresh as possible.

The church grounds also features many crafters and vendors selling their creations including items like honey, lotions, candles, crocheted items, laser wood crafts, jewelry, blown glass, greeting cards, name rings, clothing, dolls and accessories, garden art, quilts, Avon, Tupperware, Color Street Nails and many, many more items at the craft booths, another annual tradition at Trinity.

Twenty-five percent of the food tent and bakery profits from sales at the Strawberry Festival will go to support the Friday Fill-Up program which provides backpacks of food for elementary children in the Van Buren school district who live in food insecure homes. Each Friday, they receive enough food for two breakfasts, two lunches, three snacks and a menu stretch-er that helps the entire family.

Additionally, 50 percent of the proceeds from Trinity Strawberry Festival activities are used to support community projects. In years past, the Strawberry Festival has been able to support the Belleville Emergency Food Closet, Helping Hand Food Pantry, SOS Community Services, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Adopt-A-Child Size, Spirit of Hope Soup Kitchen, Salvation Army, and Heifer International among many others. The other half of the proceeds is used to fund special projects and events at the church.

Trinity Episcopal Church is the first Strawberry Festival stop on Belleville Road as vehicles exit I-94 heading into Belleville.



Crowning achievement

Annual Strawberry Queen to be named Friday night

Following a decades-long tradition, five young women will vie for the title of Belleville National Strawberry Queen during special ceremonies beginning at 7:30 June 14 at Belleville High School.

The contestants this year, four single women between the ages of 16 and 20 who live in the Belleville area, each hope to reign during the week-end of festivities. The queen will be chosen by a panel of local judges and the contestants will be rated on their individual talent performance, their participation in a group dance, their appearance and poise in evening wear and their answers to questions posed during an on-stage interview.

Last year, Madison Letwinski, who

was 18, served as the Strawberry Queen. She is the daughter of Kristie Roberts and Joe Lewinski and is a full-time business student at Davenport University. She hopes to one day own a dance studio to work with young students helping them "develop and grow in the art of dance."

The former queen also participated

with the Davenport University Dance team.

First runner up last year was Taylor Williams, who was 17 at the time. She is the daughter of Dymple Christian. Williams hopes to earn a Masters of Business Administration degree and own her own business and one of her special interests is in women's empow-

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Second runner up last year was Paige Spitznagel who rode in the parade with Letwinski and Williams, celebrating the weekend festival. Spitznagel was 18 during the competition and is a Belleville resident, the

daughter of Kim Kowalski and Tony Spitznagel. She hopes to one-day complete her medical degree and become an anesthesiologist.

The second and third place winners were each presented with \$500 in scholarship fund along with gifts

donated by several area merchants, while Letwinski, as queen, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship, a trophy and gifts.

The pageant is under the direction of Joyce Rochowiak of Garden Fantasy.



Gabrielle DeLibera

Gabrielle DeLibera 16, is the daughter of Victor and Margo DeLibera of Belleville. She is a student at Belleville High School.

She currently participates in varsity soccer and cross country along with both the marching and symphony bands at the school. She is a member of the National Honor Society where she serves as secretary, is also the secretary of the student council and a member of the student leadership team, where she participated in singing Christmas carols at a local nursing home during the holidays. She also participated in Comcast Cares Day.

She enjoys "trying new things and hanging out with friends and family" she said.

DeLibera hopes to continue playing soccer throughout her college years and hopes to one day become an attorney.

For her talent, she will perform on either the clarinet or piano.



Julia Marshall

Julia Marshall, 18, is the daughter of Christopher Marshall and Heather Larson of Belleville. She is currently a student at Belleville High School.

Among her current school activities are both the marching and symphony bands at the school, the National Honor Society and the student leadership team along with the stage crew, cross country, track and field and tutoring.

Her hobbies include composing and performing her own music, running, weightlifting and reading. She is a volunteer at local elementary schools.

Among her special interests are live theater performances.

Marshall's career goal is to become an officer in the United States Marine Corps.

For her talent performance, she will be playing the flute.

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Katherine Russell

Katherine Russell, 16, is the daughter of Scott and Mendie Russell of Belleville and is currently a student at Belleville High School.

She is a member of the National Honor Society and participates and performs in the school musicals and performs with the school dance team.

Her hobbies and interests include dancing, singing, playing the ukulele, flute and piano along with spending time with her friends. She is also interested in musical theater and American Sign Language.

She hopes to pursue a career in either music or the medical field after earning her college degree but said she is still undecided.

For her talent performance, she will dance.

Deborah Usenvbuwa

Deborah Usenvbuwa, 16, is the daughter of William Osaigbovo and Mercy Unsenvbuwa of Belleville. She is currently a student at Belleville High School.

She is involved in both track and choir club at the school and her hobbies include singing and watching movies with friends.



She helps with Mission work at Open Arms and will be helping at the A & W at the Strawberry Festival this year.

She hopes to become a runway model and may pursue a career as a doctor, she said.

For her talent performance during the Strawberry Queen pageant, she will perform a song.



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Festival craft show attracts Main Street visitors

The Belleville Central Business Community will again host the Main Street Crafters Venue during the National Strawberry Festival.

The wide variety of craft booths on Main will begin just past Second Street, where vendors, many of whom have traveled a long distance, will offer their unique hand-made items. Many of the craftsmen return every year to participate in the popular Strawberry Festival.

This year craftsmen will offer unique jewelry and handmade wood products in addition to items for dogs and cats, clothing, bath and body prod-

ucts and other craft items for men, women and children.

The Main Street Crafters Venue is sponsored by the Tucker Insurance Agency, which has helped sponsor several other Central Business Community events during the year.

The Central Business Community also hosts the Farmers Market in Belleville which will continue through September. A list of events the CBC sponsors can be found on page 4 of the program.

The next event is the annual Taste of Belleville which takes place in August.



Nelson Wright is one of the crafters expected to return to the Belleville National Strawberry Festival with his booth this year.

Festival president extends warm welcome

“The more things change the more they stay the same.”

For almost 50 years the National Strawberry Festival has experienced this saying. The Festival began as a small gathering at St. Anthony's Catholic Church to help celebrate the strawberry season in the fields surrounding the small community of Belleville. Main Street, Belleville Presbyterian Church, Trinity Episcopal Church and Belleville High School now provide sites for many different activities. A car show takes place in Victory Park on Sunday. New crafters, foods and entertainment arrive yearly. Different parade entries and a new Queen are seen on Saturday. A new high school seven years ago, a new library next year and numerous commercial developments in the downtown area are occurring. St. Anthony's Catholic Church has decided not to participate in this year's Festival so the amusement rides will be on Belleville High School grounds. The weather speaks for itself.

Two things remain the same after all of these years. We plan to see you on Father's Day Weekend. We plan to do everything we can to make sure you and your family have a great time.

Thomas Fielder, President
Belleville National Strawberry Festival

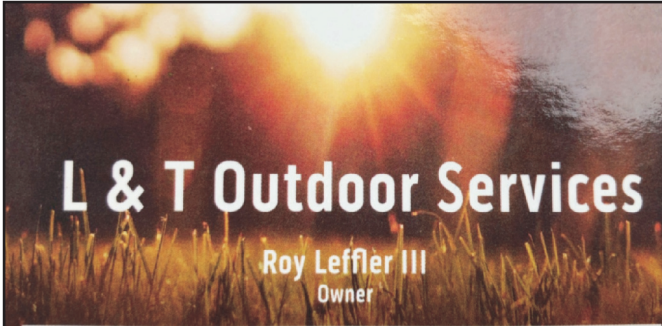


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Tours of Martha-Mary Chapel available

One of the famous historic Mary Martha Chapels will be open to the public during the Strawberry Festival this year.

The chapel at the Belleville Presbyterian Church is one of the seven historic chapels designed by architect Edward J. Cutler under the direction of Henry and Clara Ford. The chapels were erected throughout the state by the couple as a tribute to their respective mothers, Mary Ford and Martha Bryant.

The Belleville chapel will be open for tours from noon until 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday during the Strawberry Festival and parking at the church is free.

The first Martha Mary Chapel is located in historic Greenfield Village. The Belleville chapel, built in 1939, on Belleville Road was the third of the seven to be constructed. It was erected at the Camp Legion site of Willow Run, approximately 3 miles from where it stands today.

In 1954, the Cherry Hill Baptist Church transferred the chapel from the Willow Run location to Dearborn but the congregation quickly outgrew the capacity of the church.

In 1978, the Belleville United Presbyterian Church in Van Buren Township bought the chapel for \$1. It was moved to the current location and an official dedication ceremony took place on Nov. 11, 1979 which was also a



celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Belleville United Presbyterian congregation.

The church is listed on the State of Michigan Register of Historic Places

and the tours during the festival are free.

The church is located at 11900 Belleville Road. For more information, call (734) 697-8687.



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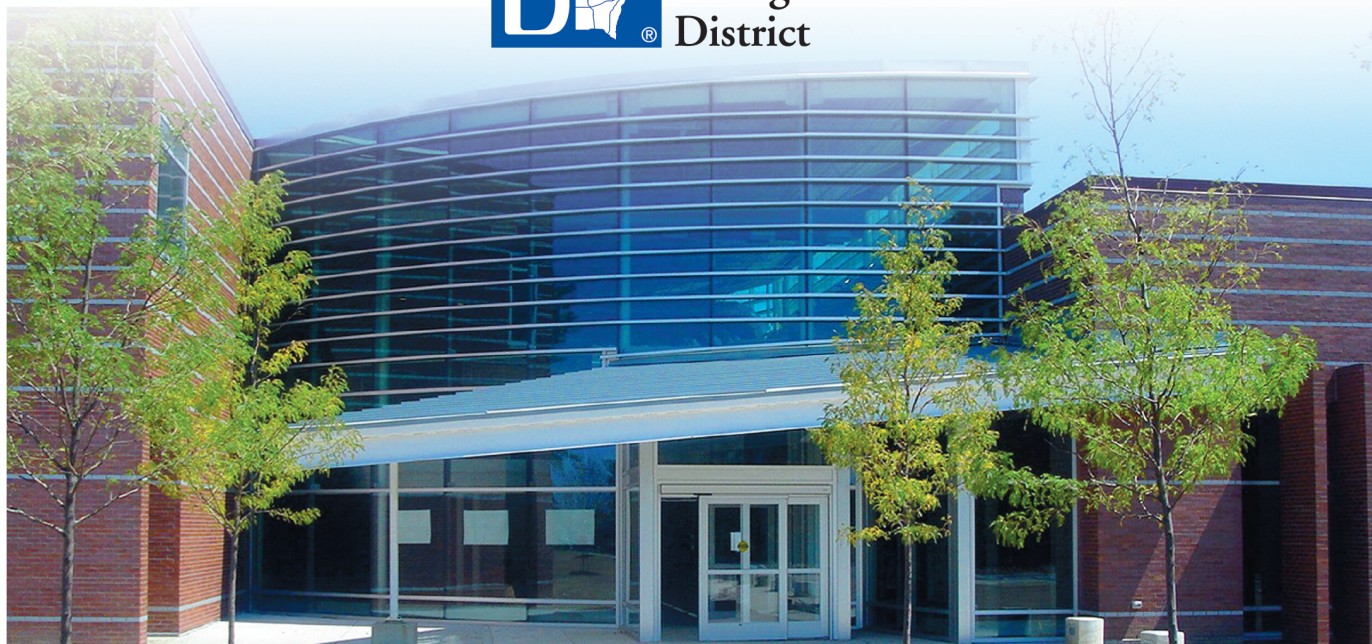
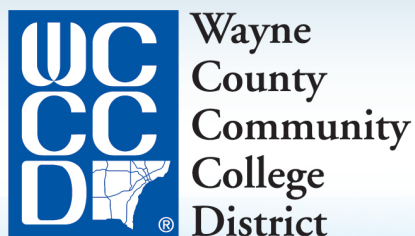
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